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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

PAULINO BELGADO, JR., M.D.,

Respondent

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ORDER MODIFYING THE FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

On September 23, 1993, the Medical Examining Board issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's order, respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in Wisconsin was limited to require that Dr. Belgado participate in an assessment of his medical knowledge and skills conducted by the University of Wisconsin, School of Medicine, Continuing Education Program, under the direction of Thomas Meyer, M.D. The order requires that Dr. Belgado successfully complete an educational program designed by Dr. Meyer based upon the results of the assessment, and that the program include components relating to record-keeping and monitoring of Dr. Belgado's practice.

Under cover of his letter to the board dated June 28, 1994, Dr. Belgado enclosed his letter to Dr. Meyer dated June 21, 1994. The latter letter notified Dr. Meyer that Dr. Belgado was closing his private practice in New London, and had accepted a position with Dodge County Correctional Facility for two days per week. The position consists primarily of doing physicals and work capability assessments of inmates prior to their transfer to other correctional facilities. Dr. Belgado indicates in his letter that because of the nature of his practice at Waupun, it will be impossible to comply with all components of the program ordered by the board and designed by Dr. Meyer relating to monitoring of Dr. Belgado's practice. Among these were a requirement that Dr. Belgado complete an evaluation form for 100 patients seen by Dr. Belgado for use by the program monitor in determining which patient records to review. Dr. Belgado cites to problems both in terms of providing a sufficient number of appropriate patient visits and with the confidentiality of the patient records to be provided.

Dr. Belgado appeared before the board at its meeting of August 24, 1994, to petition the board for relief from those aspects of the board's order relating to monitoring of his patient records and of his practice, and from those aspects of Dr. Meyer's program based upon that order. The board considered the request on that date.

Based upon Dr. Belgado's petition, and upon other information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

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ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the monitoring requirements of the board's September 23, 1993 Final Decision and Order, found at paragraphs F. through R. of the Order, shall be suspended until completion of the home study portion of the educational program. Thereafter, the board shall consider recommendations by Dr. Meyer for completion of other required components of the program which shall be consistent with the purposes of the board's order and which shall, to the extent possible, consider the limitations imposed by the nature of Dr. Belgado's current practice setting. Such recommendations by Dr. Meyer need not necessarily include a review of patient records in addition to those previously assessed by Dr. Meyer if it is deemed by Dr. Meyer and the board that questions as to the quality of Dr. Belgado's record-keeping have been satisfactorily resolved. In the event that Dr. Meyer is unable to design a program which satisfactorily addresses necessary monitoring requirements, the matter shall be remanded to the board for further proceedings.

Dated this 30 day of Aug, 1994.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by Clark O. Olsen
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Secretary

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